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## Howard County's Commission on Disability Issues to Hold 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony

ELLCOTT CITY, MD – The Howard County Commission on Disability Issues will hold its 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony on Thursday, October 2, to honor the achievements of County residents with disabilities, their advocates, employers and service providers. The ceremony features guest speaker George Failla, Jr., Acting Secretary of the Maryland Department of Disabilities.

The Awards Ceremony is free and open to the public; however, reservations are requested by Friday, September 26. In addition, if accommodations are needed to participate in this event please submit your request no later than Friday, September 18. To RSVP or to request accommodations, contact Erica Lewis with the Department of Citizen Services at 410-313-6402 (voice/relay) or e-mail [eailewis@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:eailewis@howardcountymd.gov).

**WHO:** George Failla, Jr., Acting Secretary, Maryland Department of Disabilities  
Howard County Commission on Disability Issues Members  
Award Recipients, Guests and Friends

**WHAT:** 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 2, 7:00 pm

**WHERE:** The Bain Center, Great Room  
5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia

**WHY:** To celebrate and honor the achievements of Howard County residents with disabilities, their advocates, employers and service providers.

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